# **Pokagon State Park**

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# **And Other Park Events!**

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June 7 to June 22 2008

#### **Potawatomi Inn Activities!**

There are numerous activities that take place at the Potawatomi Inn. Take a ride on "The Lonidaw," a replica of a 1902 model electric boat built by Elco. You can take a 45-minute leisurely tour of the first and second basin of Lake James where you'll learn the history of the lake and Pokagon State Park. Check at the Inn front desk for launch times. Prices are \$9 for adults, \$7 for seniors, and \$5 for children under 12.



Whether it's business or pleasure, the Potawatomi Inn has what you need...

All Programs are on Eastern Daylight Savings Time! Catch this and all of your favorite State Park Interpretive Schedules at www.interpretiveservices.in.gov

#### Saturday June 7

10:00am	<b>Free Fishing Fun!</b> It's free fishing weekend in Indiana. Hoosier adults do not need a licence. Kids under 17
	do not as well. Join Aaron down at the Inn Boat Rental for some pier fishing and probably fish stories. Poles,
	tackle and bait provided. AH

1:30pm Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. It's our new program for kids and families. Stop by the Nature Center and learn how you can work towards a patch or pin. We meet one hour a day to get you started or help you as you are working along. No groups please. FW

**Fish Casting Contest!** It's a short program on the Nature Center Front Lawn to check your casting accuracy 3:00pm on this Free Fishing Weekend. After a demonstration by Aaron, you can give it a try! AH

#### Sunday June 8

7:30am	The Early Morning Birding. Join us for our traditional Sunday morning hike leaving	,-120
	from the Potawatomi Inn Sun Deck. It's nearing the end of the bird migration! Binoculars	B
	recommended or borrow a pair of ours for this 1 ½ hour bird search! FW	

9:45am Informal Church Services at the Campground Amphitheater. Come as you are and recognize the beauty around us.

Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. AH 1:30pm

#### Monday June 9

Wetland Watching. Meet at the Inn Main Entrance for a short walk down into the Potawatomi 10:00am Nature Preserve. We'll visit some wetland habitat, including Pokagon's tiny, hidden Lake Lonidaw. We'll also investigate some of the plant and animal life of these special environments. AH Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. AH 1:30pm Tuesday, June 10 1:30pm Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH 3:00pm Hell's Point Bound! It's the highest point in the park and we'll visit it and other natural features along the way on this 1½ hour hike. Meet the Interpreter at the historic Spring Shelter. (Parking is available above the shelter if you're driving from the Inn) AH Wednesday June 11 No Programs today. Nature Center is open 10am to 5pm Thursday June 12 Down the Woodland Trail. Gather out on the Nature Center Front Lawn from where we'll take off on 10:30am a nice easy-does-it stroll into the nearby woodlands. We'll be out for about an hour search of the forest. DH **Hoosier Ouest Patch and Pin Program Hour.** See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH 1:30pm 3:00pm **Mosquito Moments!** Come to the Nature Center Auditorium for a short look at one of nature's nasties. A nuisance, but necessary, come learn about this tiny beast we must learn to tolerate or repel. AH Friday June 13 Special Group Hike Program - Wildwalkers of Northeast Indiana. Bring binoculars if you have some, or 8:30am. borrow a pair of ours, and join the park interpreter and any participants from this very informal organization in our corner of the state, called the Wildwalkers. We'll meet out on the Potawatomi Inn Sun Deck and be out for about 2 hours, hiking out to a far reach of the park and back. Come discover with us! FW 1:30pm Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH Bee-lieve it or Not! The fascinating, sometimes unbelievable world of the honeybee. Swarm to the 3:00pm Nature Center Program Auditorium for a short program on this interesting and most beneficial insect! DH **Saturday June 14** Woodchuck Watch. Learn about this interesting diggin' rodent during a short talk at the NC Program Area. 10:30am We'll also take a short walk to check out the den of this mammal. Prepare for some tall grass walking, DH Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH 1:30pm 3:00pm Turtle Time! Join us for a close-up look of our common and not so common Pokagon turtles. We'll have a chance to handle some and watch 'em crawl. Meet on the Nature Center Front Lawn! DH **Sunday June 15** Happy Dad's Day Hike. It's our traditional Sunday morning hike. Get Dad up for hike, then treat him to 8:00am an Inn Breakfast Buffet. See Sunday, June 8, at 7:30 am for program details. DH Informal Church Services at the Campground Amphitheater. Come as you are and recognize the beauty around us. 9:45am 1:30pm **Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour.** See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH **Monday June 16** Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH 1:30pm Meet the Beetles! No, it's not the Fab Four from Liverpool, but rather the fab several thousands of hard-winged 3:00pm insects. We'll show 'n' tell a few at the NC Program area and maybe head out to discover some. DH **Tuesday June 17** Lake Looking. Swim suits or shorts are the dress of the day as we meet at the Potawatomi Inn Beach for an aquatic 10:00am investigation of Lake James. We'll be searching for the variety of life in the shallows and along the shore. AH

**Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour.** See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm FW

The Incredible Journey! Have you ever imagined the life of a droplet of water? Join us at the Spring Shelter for a fun activity where YOU get to be the water. (Parking is available above the shelter) DH

1:30pm 3:00pm

#### Wednesday June 18

Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. AH		
Owl Pellet Probing! Some may think, "oh gross!" but you'll be saying "aww cool!" after discovering bones		
and other animal parts in the coughed-up pellets from owl dinners. Join us in the Nature Center Auditorium		
for this scientific look at one owl's diet. DH		

### **Thursday June 19**

1:30pm Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Ho	ur. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH
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3:00pm Mid-Day in the Marshes! Gather at the Inn Main entrance where we'll decide where to head, based on latest reports of wetland action at Pokgonn We'll investigate a watery world on this one hour-plus walk in

search of the life basking in Pokagon marshes in the middle of an early summer day. FW

9:00pm Whoooo Goes There?! You do as we gather at the Campground Amphitheater for a short discussion on the special winged hunters of the night. We'll then venture into the woods or nearby campgrounds to see if we can coax in an owl or two. Flashlights not needed, but may come in handy to find your way back to your campsite.

#### Friday June 20

1:30pm Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. AH

3:00pm

**Butterfly Ballet.** We won't be dancing in this program, but we will be discussing this group of insects which dance across our lawns and into our hearts each summer season. Join us at the Nature Center Program Area. AH

## Saturday June 21

10:00am Step back to 1940 – A History Hike. Meet at the Campers' store parking lot from where we'll do about a

one-mile walk taking us to the bridge, beach, and back and past many structures built by the CCC from 1935-1942. FW

1:30pm Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour. See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. DH

3:00pm <u>The Masked Bandit.</u> You all know him, particularly if you are a long-time camper at Pokagon. Join us on the Nature Center Front Lawn for this short discussion on this furry, sometimes too friendly, resident of Pokagon. AH

#### **Sunday June 22**

7:30am <u>Early Summer, Early Morning Meander.</u> See Sunday, June 8, at 7:30 am for program details. FW

9:45am *Informal Church Services at the Campground Amphitheater*. Come as you are and recognize the beauty around us.

11:00am **Hoosier Quest Patch and Pin Program Hour.** See Saturday, June 7 at 1:30pm. AH

Nature Center Summer Season Hours 10:00am to 5:00pm –every day!